

Introduced by Senator Margett

February 24, 2006

An act to amend Section 336 of the Elections Code, relating to initiatives.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1715, as introduced, Margett. Secretary of State: statewide initiative measures.

Existing law provides that a petition for a proposed initiative measure may not be circulated for signatures prior to the official summary date and requires that petitions with signatures be filed with the county elections official not later than 150 days after the official summary date, as specified.

This bill would extend this date to 365 days.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 336 of the Elections Code is amended
2 to read:
3 336. (a) The “official summary date” is the date a summary
4 of a proposed initiative measure is delivered or mailed by the
5 Attorney General to the proponents for a proposed initiative
6 measure. The Attorney General shall immediately notify the
7 Secretary of State of that date and send the Secretary of State a
8 copy of the summary. The Secretary of State immediately shall
9 notify the proponents and county elections official of each county
10 of the official summary date and mail a copy of the summary to
11 each county elections official. This notification shall also include

1 a complete schedule showing the maximum filing deadline, and
2 the certification deadline by the counties to the Secretary of
3 State.

4 ~~No~~

5 (b) *No* petitions for a proposed initiative measure shall be
6 circulated for signatures prior to the official summary date.
7 Petitions with signatures on a proposed initiative measure shall
8 be filed with the county elections official not later than ~~150~~ 365
9 days ~~from~~ *after* the official summary date, and no county
10 elections official shall accept petitions on the proposed initiative
11 measure after that period.